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OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

February 1, 1993

Chairman, Federal Communications Commission
1919 "M" Street N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

re: NRPM 92-235

Dear Mr. Chairman:

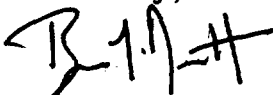
It has come to my attention that the FCC, through the referenced Proposed Rulemaking, is contemplating sweeping changes in the Rules governing private radio services, including public safety.

This letter is to advise you that the new proposed rules would create a severe financial hardship for this Department. In fact, the money is simply not available to totally change out and replace the governmental radio system in the next few years. Our city, like the majority of cities in California, is suffering from the state of the economy and the financial problems being experienced by our State government. The new proposed rules would result in an unacceptable degradation to the public safety radio system not only here, but across the country.

The deadline of February 26 does not allow sufficient time to analyze the Proposed Rule Making and to prepare comments. I strongly urge you to consider an extension of this deadline.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Bruce McDermott
Chief of Police